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SUBJ: CONGRESSIONAL STAFF VISIT RE COCOM

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1. EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED PROPOSED VISIT WITH
RESPONSIBLE SWISS OFFICIALS, WHO HAVE GIVEN UN
FOLLOWING STATEMENT OF THEIR REACTION TO
MR POPOVICH'S REQUESTS:

A) SWITZERLAND, AS A NON-COCOM MEMBER, HAS
NO OPINIONS TO OFFER ON COCOM AS AN ORGANIZATION
OR INSTITUTION.

B) SWISS CONTROLS ON EXPORT OF STRATEGIC
MATERIALS ARE AUTONOMOUS AND AUTONOMOUSLY ADMINISTERED.
THE SWISS OFFICIAL WHO HAS BEEN IN CHARGE OF ADMINI-
STRATION OF THESE CONTROLS FOR MANY YEARS, MAX KRELL,
SECTION CHIEF, DIVISION OF COMMERCE, WILL BE HAPPY
TO RECEIVE MR POPOVICH INFORMALLY TO EXPLAIN SWISS
EXPORT CONTROLS AND THEIR ADMINISTRATION.
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C) MR KRELL ASSURES US THAT THERE ARE NO
PRIVATE EXPERTS ON COCOM OR ON SWISS EXPORT CONTROLS
IN SWISS ACADEMIC COMMUNITY OR ELSEWHERE IN SWITZERLAND.

D) MR KRELL KNOWS OF NO PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION
WHICH WOULD BE SUFFICIENTLY FAMILIAR WITH SWISS

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CONTROLS TO BE OF HELP TO MR POPOVICH'S PURPOSES
AS STATED REFTEL.

E) HIGH-TECHNOLOGY MANUFACTURERS WHO, BECAUSE
THEY PRODUCE STRATEGIC MATERIALS, ARE SUBJECT TO
EXPORT CONTROLS, HAVE STATED PUBLICLY AND WOULD TELL
MR POPOVICH PRIVATELY THAT IN THEIR VIEW SWISS
CONTROLS SHOULD BE ABOLISHED. MR KRELL HAS TOLD US
THAT NONE OF THEM WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE INFO ON
SWISS SYSTEM IN DEGREE OF DETAIAL AVAILABLE IN
BERN.

2. KRELL IS WILLING TO SEE MR POPOVICH ON JAN 3, 4
5 OR 6. WE HAVE MADE RESERVATIONS AT HOTEL SILVAHOF
FOR PERIOD REQUESTED REFTEL AND WILL BE HAPPY CONSULT
WITH HIM PRIOR TO HIS MEETING WITH MR KRELL. JAN 2
IS A HOLIDAY THROUGHOUT SWITZERLAND.

3. EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER IS POL/ECOUNS EDSON W.
KEMPE, OFFICE TELEPHONE 43-00-11, EXT 325, HOME
52-54-13.
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